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## DIRECTOR'S CUT

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the finished account is the version it was  
always meant to be.**

**ENDGAME** was a story about the ultimate battle between the forces of good — in this case, **Sonic The Hedgehog** and his fellow **Freedom Fighters** — against the forces of evil, represented by **Doctor Ivo Robotnik**, in which case the final outcome would determine the future of **Mobotropolis**, to say nothing of **Mobius**.

**Here now for your enjoyment is the final act,  
showcasing Sonic's finest hour...**

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JULIAN, OF THE  
HOUSE OF IVO,  
PREPARE TO BE  
FINISHED!

I'M AFRAID  
I BADLY MIS-  
CALCULATED!

THE SCHEME  
WAS PERFECT, BUT  
THE TIMING  
WAS--

DID  
YOU GET HIM,  
LONDO?

I DON'T  
SEE HIM,  
JAKKAR!

HE'LL WANT  
OUR HEADS IF  
WE CAN'T BRING  
BACK JULIAN'S  
THAT'S FOR  
CERTAIN!

OOOF!

SPASH!

HE MUST BE  
STILL RUNNING  
SOMEWHERE UP  
AHEAD!

YOU KNOW  
THE MINISTER  
WON'T TOLERATE  
FAILURE!

THIS  
WAY!

BUB  
BUB  
BUB



--IT SEEMS YOU'RE THE LOGICAL CHOICE  
TO LEAD THE TROOPS, WARLORD JULIAN!"

AT MY  
COMMAND--

THIS IS  
INSANE, JULES!  
HIM LEADING  
US!

I'M SURE KING  
ACORN HAS HIS  
REASONS,  
CHARLES!

"FOR THE  
KINGDOM!"

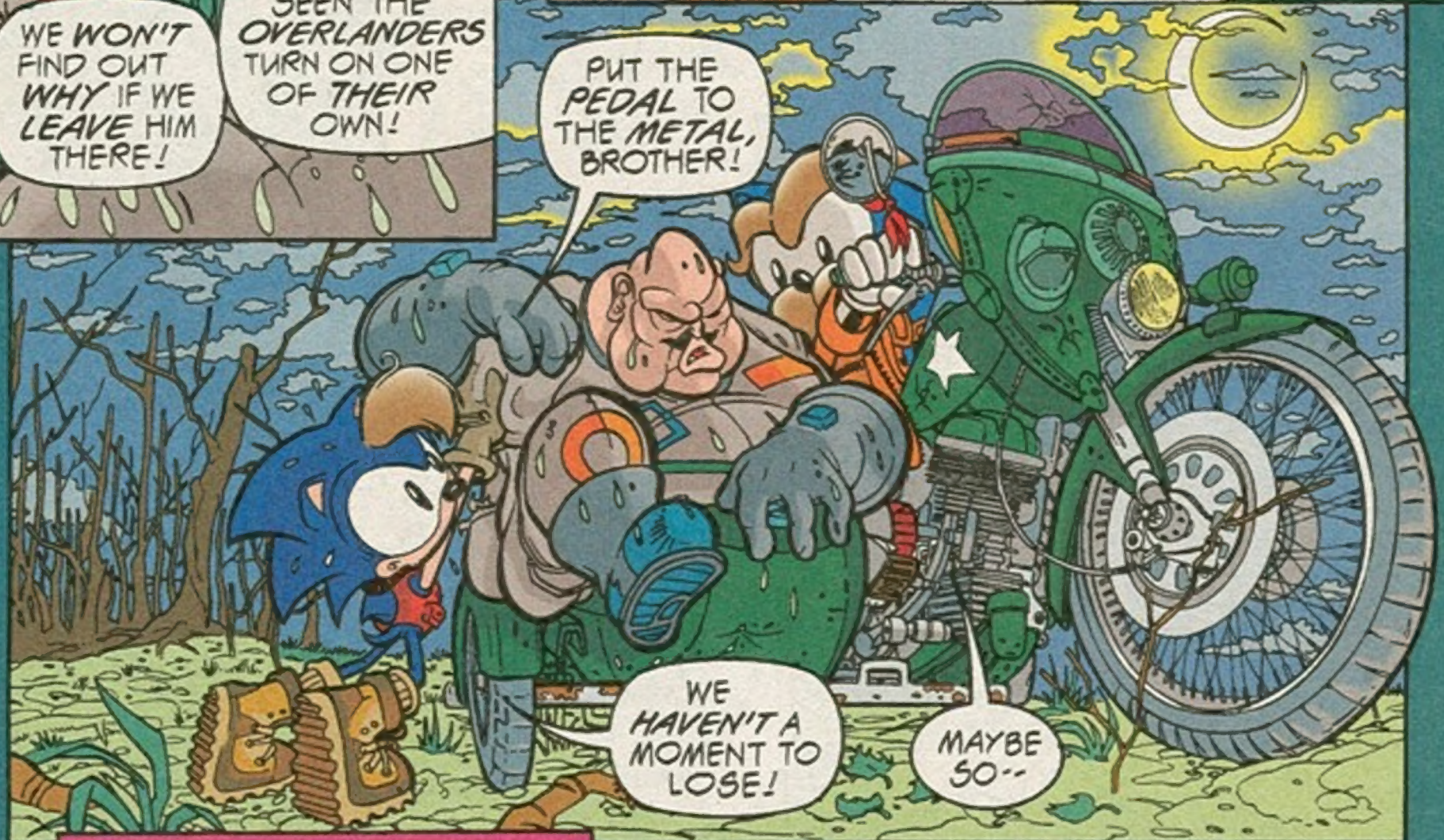
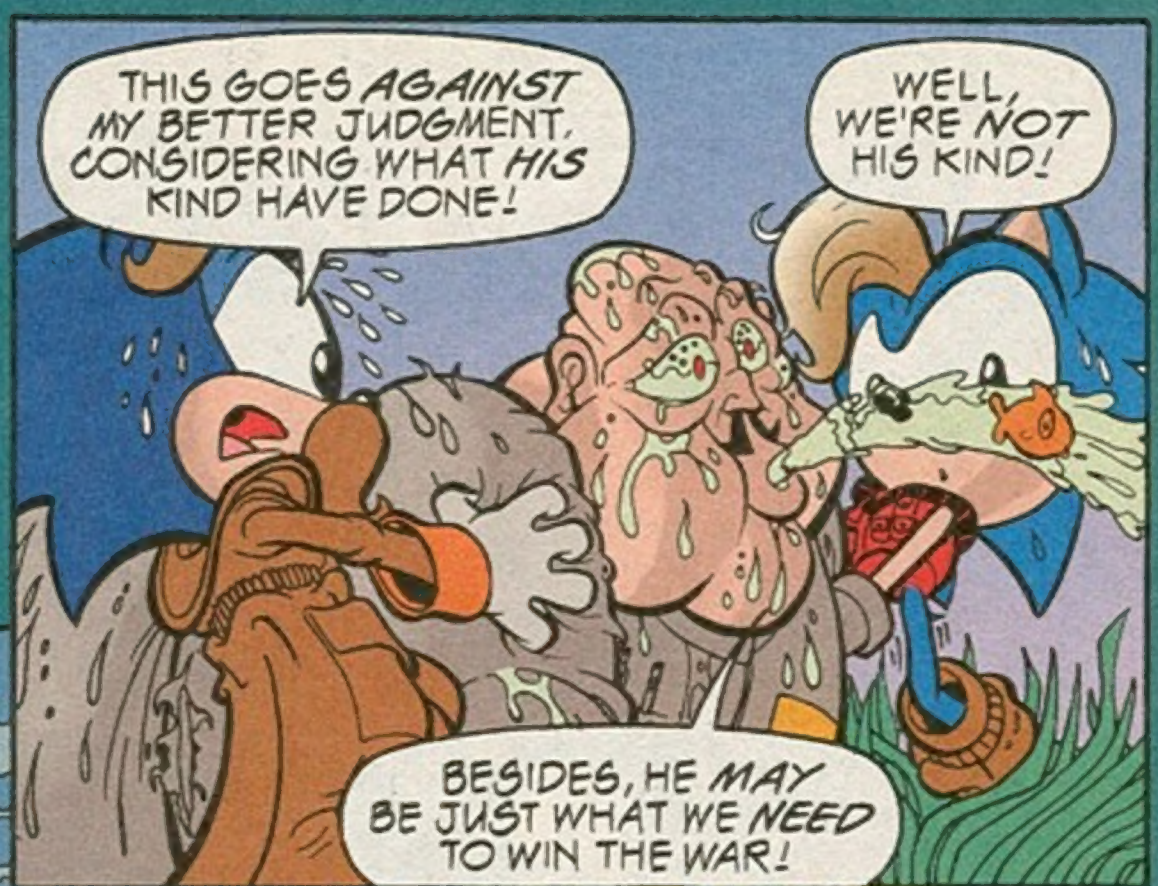
THE MONITOR-  
READINGS ARE-  
SHOWING THE-  
DOCTOR MORE-  
EXCITED THAN-  
USUAL!

IT MUST BE-  
A REALLY GOOD  
DREAM!

UNFORTUNATELY--

--IT'S TIME TO  
AWAKEN HIM, CARE-  
TO DO THE  
HONORS?

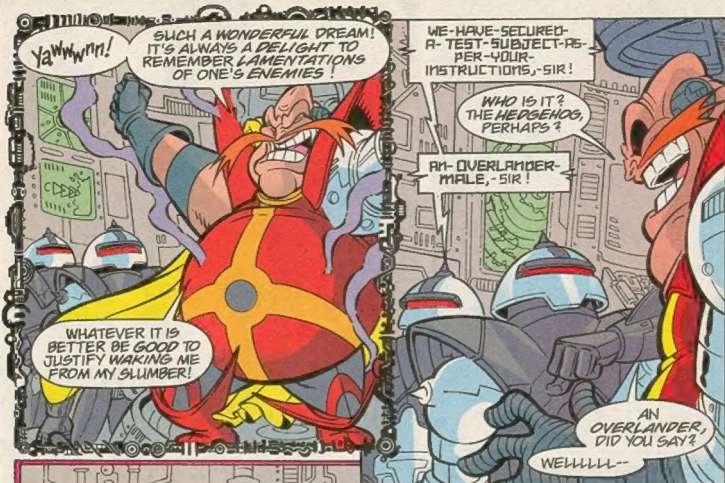




--BUT I CAN'T HELP HAVING A NASTY FEELING ABOUT OUR CARGO!--









EVEN THOUGH  
MY FAME HAS  
SOMEWHAT  
PROCEEDED  
ME--

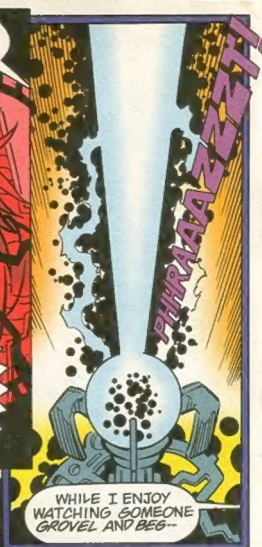
--AS YOU CAN PLAINLY  
SEE, THE REPORTS OF MY  
DEMISE WERE SOMEWHAT  
EXAGGERATED!

UNHAPPILY  
FOR YOU--



--I INTEND  
TO PROVE THERE  
IS WORSE THAN  
DEATH!

**WAIT!!**  
CAN'T WE  
TALK THIS  
OVER?!!!



WHILE I ENJOY  
WATCHING SOMEONE  
GROVEL AND BEG--



--I'M AFRAID OTHER  
CONSIDERATIONS OUTWEIGH  
PERSONAL PLEASURES!

**NOOOOOO**

EUREKA!  
I'VE DONE IT  
AGAIN!

ANOTHER  
RESOUNDING  
TRIUMPH ON  
MY PART!

ONCE THE SHIPMENT  
FROM DOWNLINDA ARRIVES,  
WE'LL BE ABLE TO UNLEASH  
MY MOST DEVASTATING  
WEAPON YET, AND THEN--

--MOBILUS WILL  
BE MINE!

THAT'S WHAT  
YOU THINK,  
UNCLE!



WE'LL  
SEE WHO  
HAS THE  
LAST  
LAUGH, YET!



# FOR WHOM THE BELL TOLLS!

LISTEN UP, **KNUX**!  
I NEED YOUR HELP TO  
**CLEAR MY NAME!** I'M  
BEING **FRAMED!**

AS **PERSONAL GUARD**  
TO **KING ACORN** OF **MOBIUS**,  
I DEPUTIZE AND COMMAND  
YOU TO HELP ME BRING  
PRINCESS **SALLY'S** ASSASSIN  
TO **JUSTICE!**

WHAT?!  
Puh-**PRINCESS**  
**SALLY--**  
**DEAD?!**

I TOLD  
HER YOU WERE  
**NO GOOD--**  
**ARRRR!**

**NO!**  
YOU GOTTA  
BELIEVE ME...  
**DON'T--**

CAN'T GET  
A CLEAR SHOT  
AT THE  
HEDGEHOG...









ALTHOUGH I HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO LISTEN TO A DRAGON EVERY NOW AND THEN...

DULCY! IN THE NICK OF TIME!

GH KOOOM



AS YOU KNOW, DRAGONS CANNOT TELL LIES. THAT IS WHY WE CAN SENSE THE PURITY OF TRUTH AND I KNOW SONIC IS NOT LYING ABOUT BEING FRAMED!

A DRAGON'S SPOKEN WORD IS FACT.

NOW WILL YOU LISTEN TO ME, ST. JOHNZ?



OUR REAL ENEMY IS TRYING TO **DIVIDE AND CONQUER** US! INSTEAD, WE MUST TEAM UP! FLEMING, BRING YOUR PLANE INTO THIS CLEARING!

YES, SIR!

WHAT'S YOUR NEXT MOVE, KNUX?

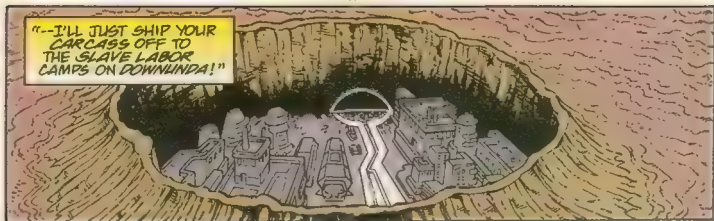
OUT OF RESPECT FOR PRINCESS SALLY, I'M GOING ALONG TO **HELP SONIC**. I WANT YOU TO ASSEMBLE THE CHAOTIX AND GUARD THE ISLAND UNTIL I GET BACK...

I DON'T THINK I'LL FIT IN A PLANE, SONIC...

THAT'S OKAY, DULCE! YOU'VE DONE **MORE THAN ENOUGH**--CHILL! WE'LL TAKE IT BACK TO--



"--I'LL JUST SHIP YOUR  
CARCASS OFF TO  
THE SLAVE LABOR  
CAMPS ON DOWNLINDA!"



BLINNIE--NO!  
DON'T FOOL WEETH ZEE  
COLLAIRE!

HOLD  
STILL--IF  
AH CAN  
JUST--



CELL-GUARD-CALLING-CROCBOT-  
KNOTHOLE-PRISONER'S-COLLAR-  
HAS-BEEN-DETONATED--  
DESTROYING-ALL-FOUR-IMMATES.

TOO BAD. I WAS  
LOOKING FORWARD TO  
TORTURING THEM. I STILL  
HAVE THE OTHER THREE  
LEFT!

VERY WELL--  
REPORT TO  
THE LOADING  
DOCK!

AT-ONCE.



DID YOU  
HEAR THAT?

SOUNDS  
LIKE OUR  
TEAMMATES  
ARE STILL  
ALIVE!

WE BETTER  
FIND THEM--  
AND FAST!

AFTER ZAT,  
I SUGGEST WE  
MAKE OUR WAY  
TO--





...KNOTHOLE!

MOVE-  
ALONG!

YOU-WILL-  
ALL-BE-  
ROBOTIZED!

MECHA-  
SLAVERY-IS  
INEVITABLE--  
ESCAPE-IS  
IMPOSSIBLE!

WE FREEDOM  
FIGHTERS HAVE  
DONE THE  
IMPOSSIBLE  
BEFORE!

LET'S GET TO THE  
BATHYSOPHERE AND THE  
SEA FOX! WE'VE GOT  
TO GET HELP FROM  
SOME OF THE OTHER  
FREEDOM FIGHTER  
GROUPS!

I CAN'T BELIEVE  
THAT ROBOTNIK  
FOUND OUR  
SECRET VILLAGE  
LOCATION!

THE WAY THINGS  
HAVE BEEN GOING  
LATELY, NOTHING  
SURPRISES ME.

AT LEAST HE  
DOESN'T KNOW  
ABOUT OUR  
UNDERGROUND  
CANAL SYSTEM  
AND WATER  
VEHICLES.

HOLY  
ABALONE!

WELL, WELL--  
IF IT ISN'T BLUBBER-  
BREATH AND THE TWO-  
TAILED FREAK!

WID: THEN  
AGAIN, HE  
MIGHT!

GAME OVER,  
FREEDOM FIGHTERS.  
BACK UPSTAIRS  
AND JOIN THE REST  
OF THE LOSERS!

YOU'RE MY PRISONERS  
NOW! AND IF YOU'RE  
REAL GOOD--



"--ZEE LOADING DOCK!"

I'M AFRAID I  
CAN'T MAKE OUT WHAT  
THEY'RE SAYING--

BUT  
WHATEVER THEY'RE  
DOING DOESN'T  
LOOK NONE TOO  
GOOD!

WE'LL CREATE A DIVERSION BY  
TAKING OUT CROCBOT AND HIS CREW,  
BUT IT'S UP TO YOU TO GET YOURSELVES  
ONTO THE AIRBUS!

SEEING AS ZEE  
AIRBUS EES OUR  
TICKET HOME.

READY, DEAR  
BUNNIE?

AS EVAH!

HEY THERE,  
TALL-GREEN-AND-GRUESOME!

WE HAVE  
A CIRCUIT OR  
TWO TO PICK  
WITH YOU.

!GASP!  
THAT VOICE!  
IT CAN'T BE--

BUT IT  
IS!

!SIGH--  
WHATEVER  
HAPPENED TO  
'PEACE AND  
LOVE?'

NO PROBLEM--  
WE LOVE TO SMASH  
THESE 'BOTS TO  
PIECES!

BEEP!  
BEEP!

I HOPE ZEE  
DOWNLINDA FREEDOM  
FIGHTERS MANAGE TO  
OVERCOME ZAT FIEND,  
CROCBOT!

AH'M SURE  
THEY'LL BE FINE!  
WE LINS GOT OUR  
OWN PROBLEMS--  
IN YOU GO!



"IVO ROBOTNIK IN ROBOTROPOLIS  
CALLING CROCBOT'S CRATER IN  
DOWNUNDA..."

COME IN,  
CROCBOT!

WHAT?!

LOOK, I'M DEALING  
WITH AN UPRISING HERE  
AT THE PRISON CAMP!  
THE MINERAL ORE  
WE'VE MINED IS ALREADY  
ON ITS WAY TO YOU!

Ahhh... THAT'S  
ALL I WANTED TO  
KNOW--ROBOTNIK,  
OVER AND  
OUT!

HA! ONCE I GET  
THE ORE, MY ULTIMATE  
ANNIHILATOR WILL  
BE OPERATIONAL!

AT WHICH TIME, I  
WILL UNLEASH THE  
HA'S POWER ON THE  
VILLAGE OF KNOTHOLE,  
ERASING IT FROM EX-  
ISTENCE FOREVER!

I MUST RETURN  
TO MY SLUMBER CHAM-  
BER BEFORE THE ORE  
ARRIVES. I WANT TO BE  
WELL RESTED FOR MY  
ULTIMATE VICTORY!  
HAHAHAHA!



COME-ON--  
FASTER,  
SPECIMENS!

Shudder:  
LOOKS LIKE  
THE END OF  
THE LINE, OL'  
BUDDY...

WAIT--WHAT'S  
THAT NOISE OVER-  
HEAD? IT'S...

...IT'S-AN-  
AIRPLANE!

BY THE  
SCEPTER OF  
KING ACORN...  
**CHARGE!**

LOOK--IT'S  
GEOFFREY--KNUCKLES--  
AND...Gasp!... **SONIC!**  
THEY'RE WORKING  
TOGETHER!

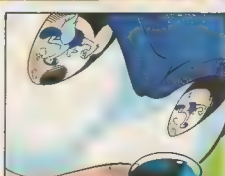
DON'T JUST  
STAND THERE, YOU  
RUSTBUCKETS!  
BLAST THEM OUT  
OF THE SKY!

LET'S JOIN THEM!  
COME ON, EVERYBODY--  
DO IT FOR PRINCESS  
SALLY!



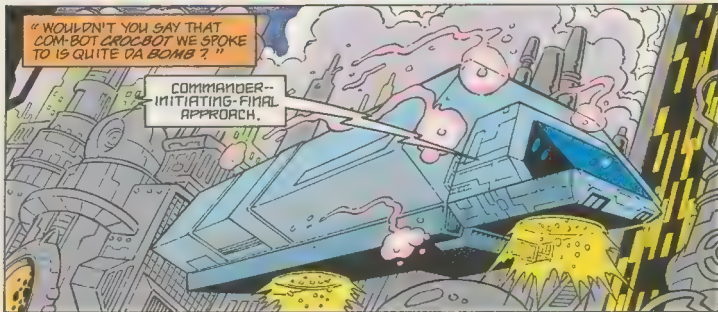
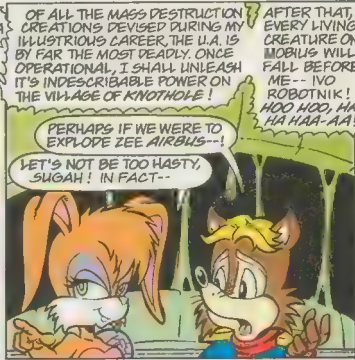
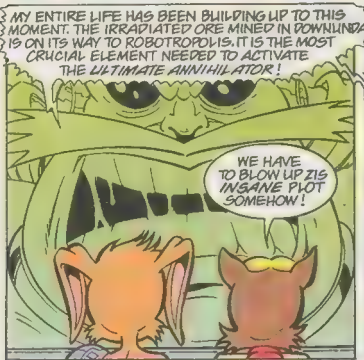
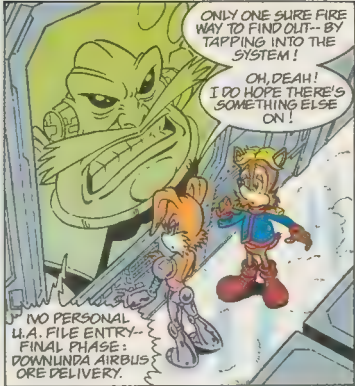
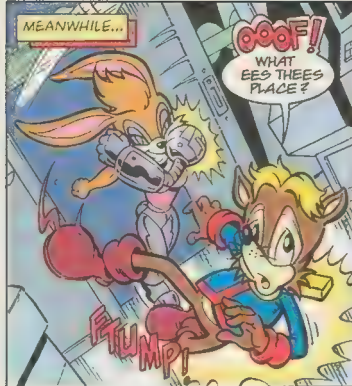


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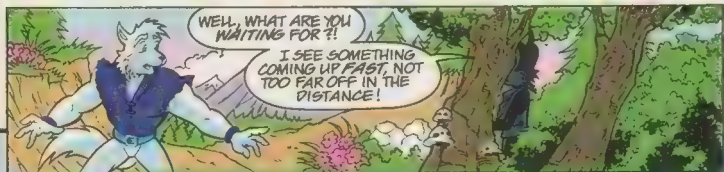


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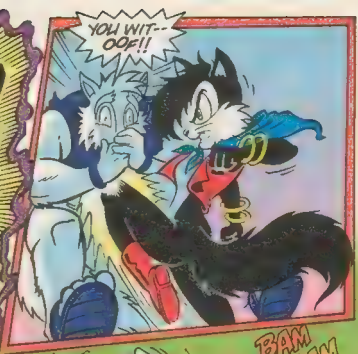




-INSTEAD  
OF A LOSER  
LIKE YOU!!

MEE-O-WN!

OW!!!



YOU WIT--  
OOF!!



DON'T YOU  
WORRY, DRAGO!

I'M FAR  
FROM THROUGH  
WITH YOU!



I LOVED YOU,  
DRAGO! I'D HAVE  
DONE ANYTHING  
FOR YOU!!!

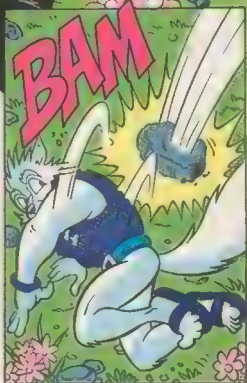
AND FOR YOU  
TO USE ME LIKE  
THAT--

YOU'RE THE  
WORST PIECE  
OF SH!ME IT'S  
BEEN MY  
MISFORTUNE  
TO KNOW!!



WELL, BUSTER,  
HERE'S WHERE YOU  
GET YOURS!!

HERSHEY!!  
NOOOOO!!



BAM





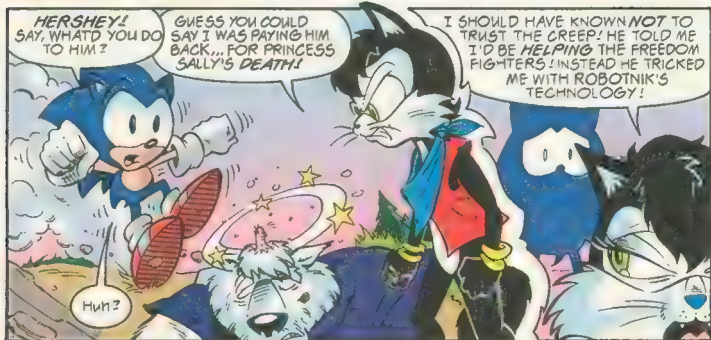
OH, NO,  
YOU DON'T, YOU  
DIRTBAG!!

YOU  
DON'T GET  
OFF THAT  
EASY!!!



**KLOOT**

--UGH!!



**HERSHEY!**  
SAY, WHAT'D YOU DO  
TO HIM?

GUESS YOU COULD  
SAY I WAS PAYING HIM  
BACK... FOR PRINCESS  
SALLY'S DEATH!

I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN **NOT** TO  
TRUST THE CREEP! HE TOLD ME  
I'D BE **HELPING** THE FREEDOM  
FIGHTERS! INSTEAD HE TRICKED  
ME WITH ROBOTNIK'S  
TECHNOLOGY!

Huh?



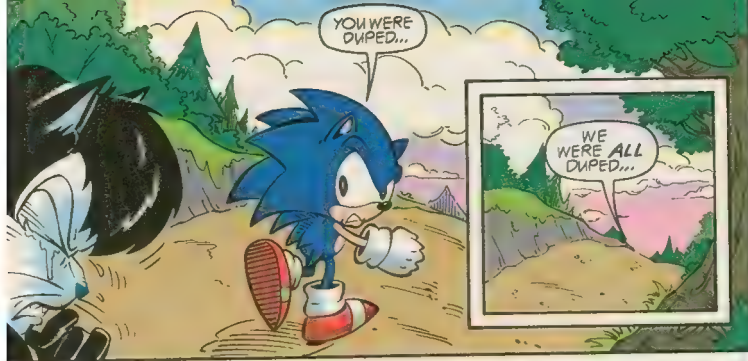
WHEN I CUT THAT  
ROPE, SONIC, I THOUGHT  
I WAS SNIVELY WHO WAS  
CLIMBING IT...

...BUT IT  
WAS REALLY  
**SALLY!**



OH, SONIC!  
WHAT HAVE I  
DONE? EVERY-  
THING YOU'VE  
BEEN  
THROUGH!

YOU  
NEVER MIND THAT,  
HERSHEY...



YOU WERE DUPED...

WE  
WERE ALL  
DUPED...



YAWN!  
WELL, DID I MISS  
ANYTHING?

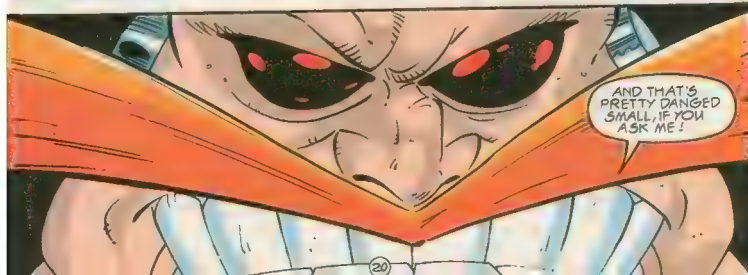
THE CARGO YOU  
REQUESTED HAS  
ARRIVED SAFELY  
FROM DOWNHINDA...



...BUT OUR TROOPS  
HAVE INFORMED US  
THAT SONIC HAS  
LIBERATED KNOTHOLE  
VILLAGE!

AHHH, GOOD  
NEWS ON ONE  
HAND MUST  
BEGET BAD  
NEWS ON THE  
OTHER.

WELL, WHAT OF IT?  
WHAT? WIPE THE GREASE  
OUT OF YOUR TIN-PLATED  
EARLOBES, TWITS! THAT  
RODENT IS NOTHING TO  
ME! HE'S LESS THAN  
NOTHING!



AND THAT'S  
PRETTY DANGED  
SMALL, IF YOU  
ASK ME!






AAAAH, FINALLY MY PLANS ARE COMING TO FRUITION! LET THE HEDGEHOGS COME! I'LL BAKE HIM A CAKE WITH SO MANY LAYERS!

HOLY HANNAH, ANTOINE! WALT AND BARBY HELPING US SMUGGLE OURSELVES OUT OF CROCBOT'S PRISON CAMP WAS ONE THING...

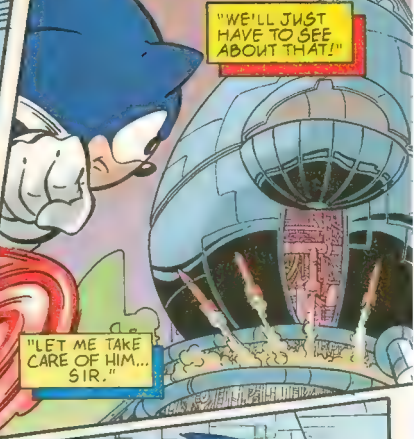
Shhh! OUI! I KNOW. BUT WE HAD NO IDEA ZEE TRUE SCOPE OF ROBOTNIK'S PLANS!

THERE CAN ONLY BE ONE POINT OF VIEW ON THIS WORLD! MINE! Oh, THOSE SMELLY FURBALLS! HOW I ABOMINATE THEM!

Um, SIR...?

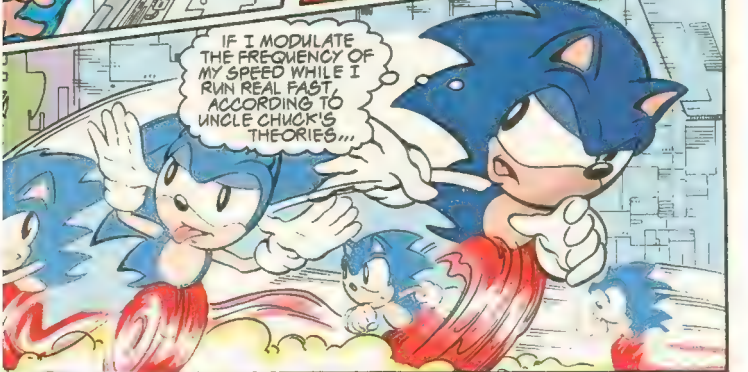


IT'S HIM! IT'S HIM! AFTER ALL WE'VE DONE, HE STILL WON'T GIVE UP!



"WE'LL JUST HAVE TO SEE ABOUT THAT!"

"LET ME TAKE CARE OF HIM... SIR."



IF I MODULATE THE FREQUENCY OF MY SPEED WHILE I RUN REAL FAST, ACCORDING TO UNCLE CHUCK'S THEORIES...



...I SHOULD BE ABLE TO CREATE AFTER-IMAGES OF MYSELF! ENOUGH TO MESS WITH ANY OPPONENT!





OUTTA MY WAY,  
SWATBOTS!

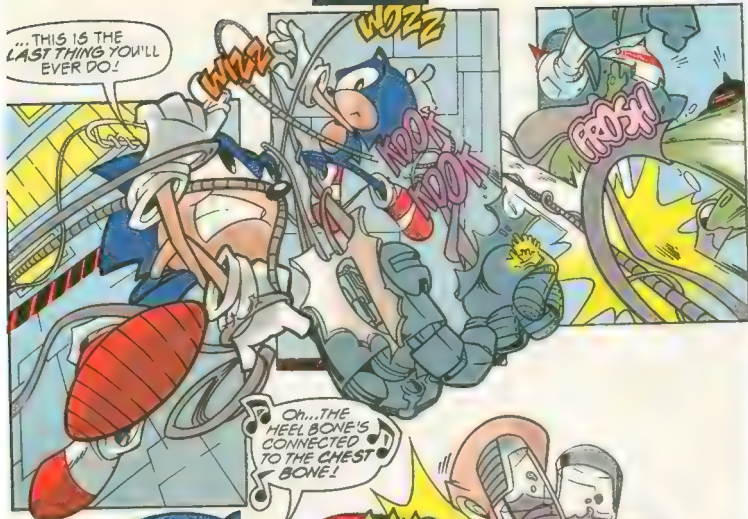
OH GOODY,  
LOOK WHOSE  
COME TO  
PLAY!

SNIVELY

HEDGEHOG... IF  
THIS IS THE LAST  
THING I EVER DO, I'LL  
SEE YOU NEVER  
MAKE IT INSIDE!

YOU'RE RIGHT  
ABOUT ONE THING,  
NEEDLE-NOSE...

...THIS IS THE  
LAST THING YOU'LL  
EVER DO!



Oh...THE  
HEEL BONE'S  
CONNECTED  
TO THE CHEST  
BONE!

CRACK

OH! OH! OH!  
YOU HURT MY  
STERNUM!

AHH  
HOOO!

LOOKS LIKE  
MY SIDE KICK SENT  
ROBOTNIK'S SIDE-  
KICK RIGHT DOWN  
THE DRAIN!

GOOD! NOW  
I CAN FOCUS MY  
ATTENTION ON...  
OOFF!





WHERE DID THAT BRICK WALL COME FROM ALL OF A SUDDEN?

FOR THE LUVA--  
ANTOINE!!!  
BUNNIE!!

HOW  
DID YOU  
GUYS GET  
HERE?!



SUGAH-SONIC!! WE WERE  
TRYIN' TO STOP OL' BLUBBER  
BOTTOM FROM WIPIN' OUT A KNOTHOLE--

--BY PLACING  
ZEE BOMB TO  
SABOTAGE EES  
WEAPON!

ONCE WE PLANT ZIS  
WHERE EET WILL DO ZEE  
MOST DAMAGE, EET'LL  
BE SET TO DETONATE  
WITHIN 10 MINUTES  
TIME!

EET WE  
DON'T MAKE IT  
OUT BEFORE  
ZEN, WELL...



NOBODY  
SAID WE'D LIVE  
FOREVER!

BESIDES, IF THAT'S  
THE PRICE FOR TAKING  
DOWN' BUTT-NICK--

--LET'S DO  
IT TO IT!

SONIC!!  
WAIT!!

WHAIRE  
ARE YOU  
GOING?!



TO BUY  
YOU GUYS  
TIME!

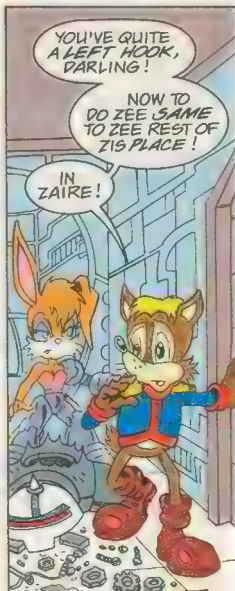
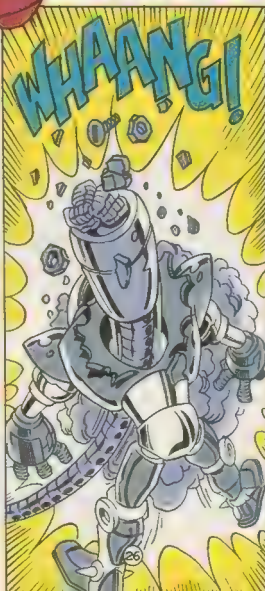
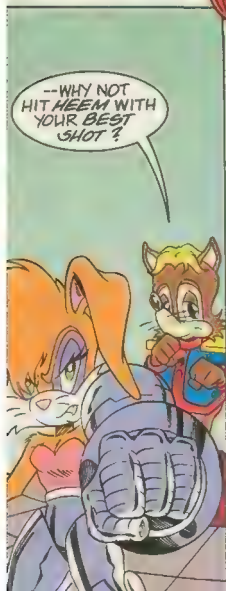
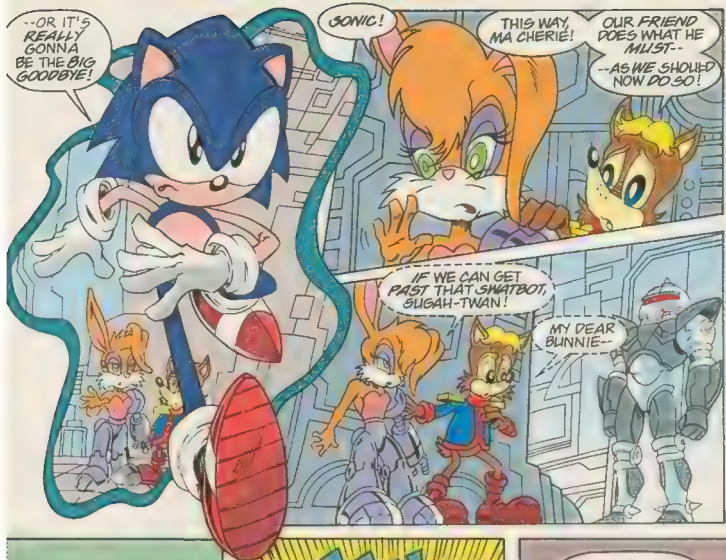
BUT,  
SONIC--

NO "BUTS",  
BUNNIE,

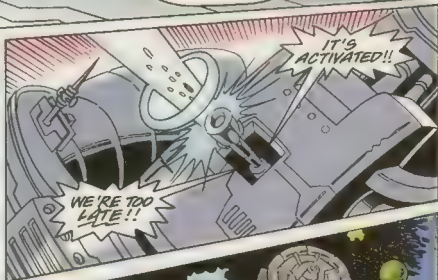
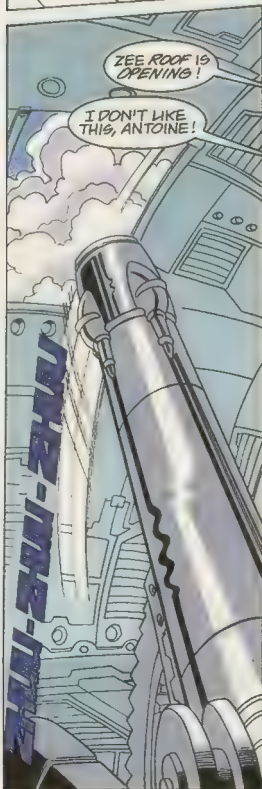
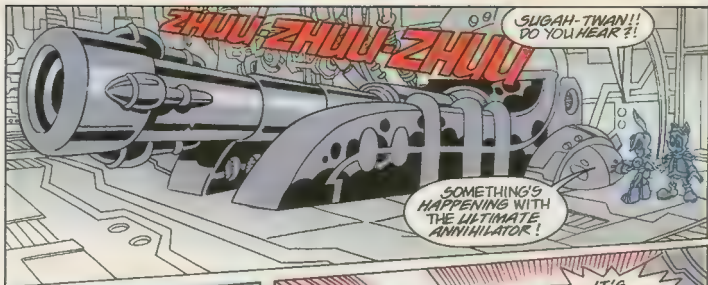
YOU AND 'TWAN  
JUST MAKE SURE  
WHEN THAT  
DOOHICKEY OF  
YOURS BLOWS--











KNOTHOLE WIPEOUT?

THAT SOUNDS LIKE--

--TWO--

--ONE--  
EH?

THE HEDGEHOGS!  
OF ALL THE TIMES--

YEAH!  
TOO BAD FOR  
YOU!

IF ANYTHING'S GETTING  
WIPE OUT AROUND HERE,  
I'LL GIVE YOU THREE  
GUESSES WHO--

--AND THE FIRST  
TWO DON'T  
COUNT!

WE'LL SEE WHO  
LAUGHS LAST, YOU  
MISERABLE RODENT!

ATTENTION, ALL  
SNATBOTS!

DESTROY  
THE HEDGEHOG--  
BY ANY MEANS  
NECESSARY!!

NOW THEN--  
WHERE WAS I?

ZERO!!  
FAREWELL  
KNOTHOLE!!

NOOOOO!!

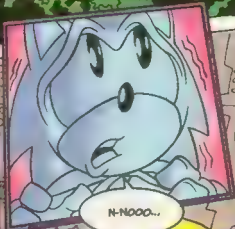


WITH BUT THE  
PRESS OF A  
BUTTON...

AN ENERGY BEAM OF  
IMMENSE MAGNITUDE  
IS UNLEASHED,  
FOCUSED ON ONE  
SPECIFIC LOCATION...

AFTER ALL  
THIS TIME--

KNOTHOLE AND  
ITS CITIZENS ARE  
ELIMINATED!



N-NOOO...

ALL MY FRIENDS...  
EVERYONE THAT EVER  
MATTERED..

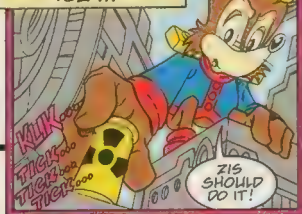
EVERYTHING  
ALL GONE!

BECAUSE OF YOU,  
ROBOTNIK!!

BAAA  
SHH!!

YOU BETTER RUN,  
ROBO-BUTT !!!--

"--CAUSE THERE WON'T  
BE MUCH LEFT WHEN  
I'M THROUGH WITH  
YOU!!!"



**BOOM!!**

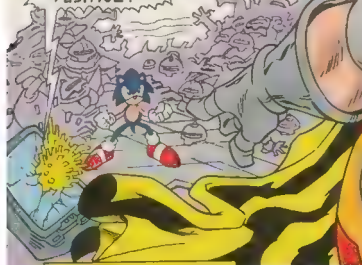
WARNING! WARNING!  
ULTIMATE ANNIHILATOR  
SYSTEM CRASH!  
CROSSED CIRCUITS WILL  
RESULT IN INTERNALIZED  
ENERGY EMISSION!  
DESTRUCTION OF WAR  
ROOM...IMMINENT!

PROBABILITY OF  
RESULTING SHOCK WAVE  
DESTROYING EVERYTHING  
IN ITS PATH...99.99999%  
POSITIVE!

HOW I HATE THAT  
HEDGEHOG!

I'VE LIVED TO SEE  
ONE DREAM COME TRUE--  
THE DESTRUCTION OF  
KNOTHOLE VILLAGE AND  
EVERYONE WITHIN IT.

ALL THAT MATTERS  
NOW IS THE PLEASURE  
OF ELIMINATING YOU  
ONCE AND FOR ALL!

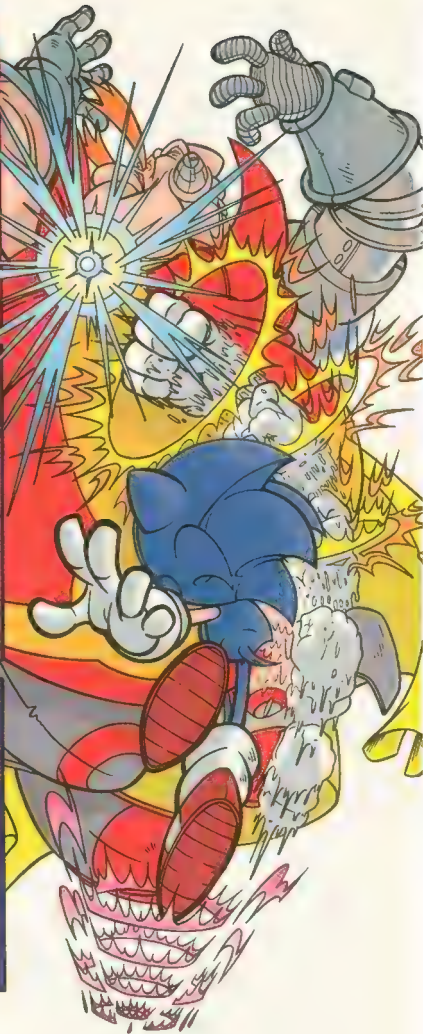
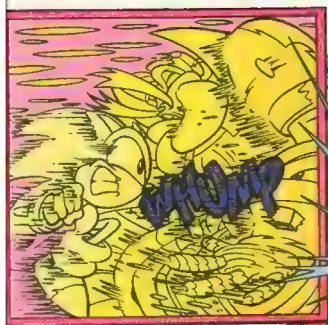


ALTHOUGH CONSCIOUS OF  
THEIR IMPENDING DOOM,  
AT THIS POINT, BOTH  
COMBATANTS FEEL THEY  
HAVE NOTHING LEFT  
TO LOSE...

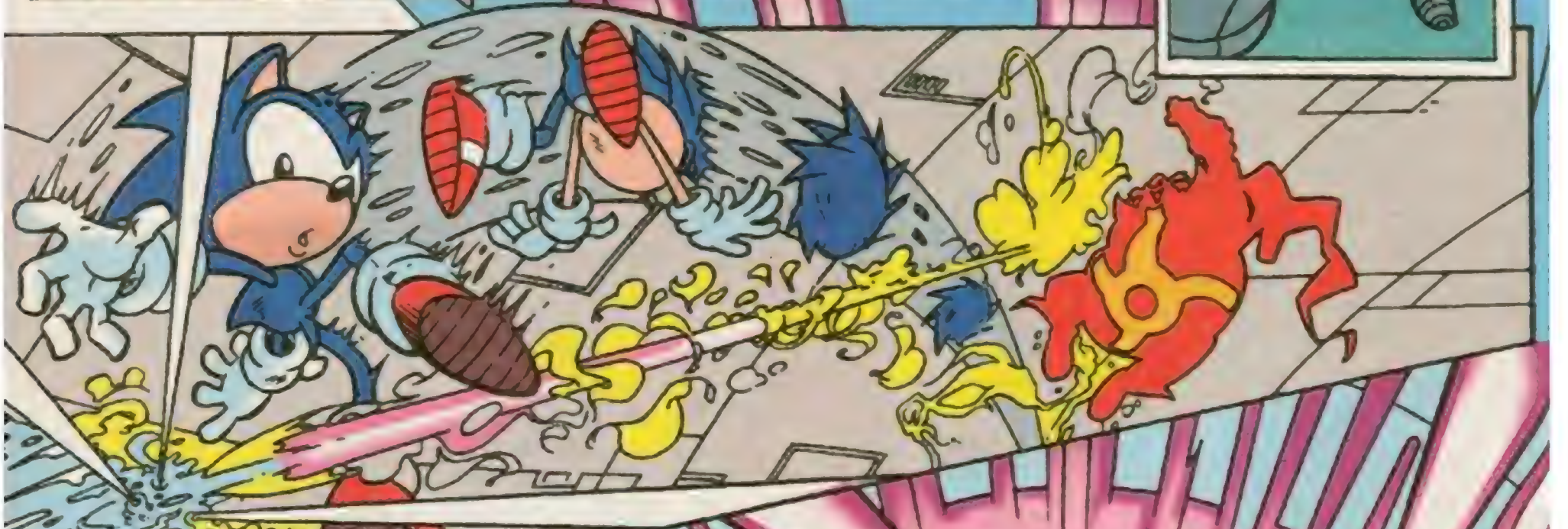
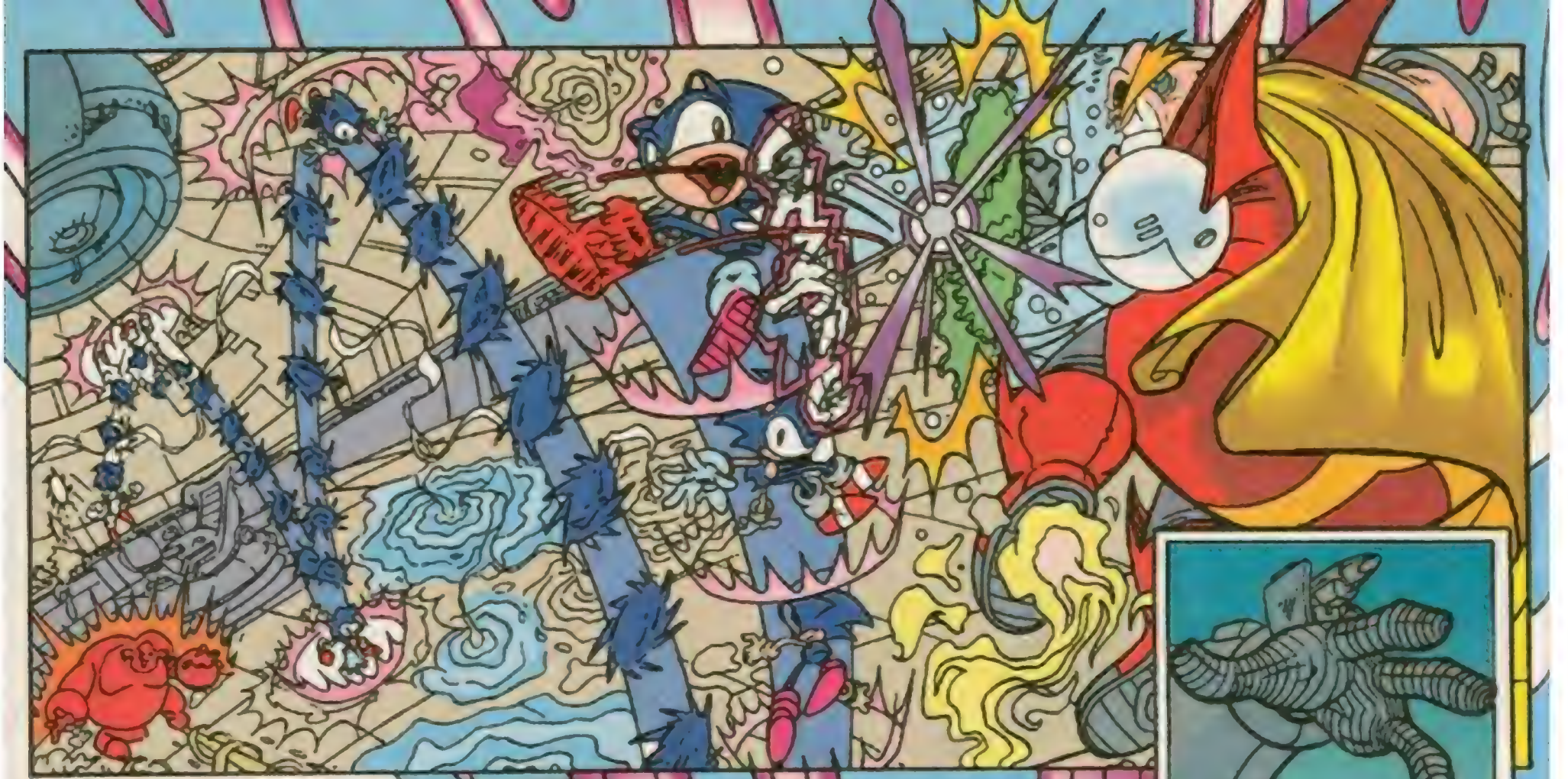
AFTER YEARS OF  
EXCHANGING INSULTS  
AND VOWS OF PERSONAL  
DESTRUCTION, ALL IS  
SAID AND DONE.

THE ONLY  
RECOURSE  
LEFT IS...



















WHOA!



I'M STILL HERE!

PART OF ME ANYWAY!



FEELS LIKE I'VE BEEN THROUGH THE WRINGER!



NOW, I'M-- SO TIRED-- SO

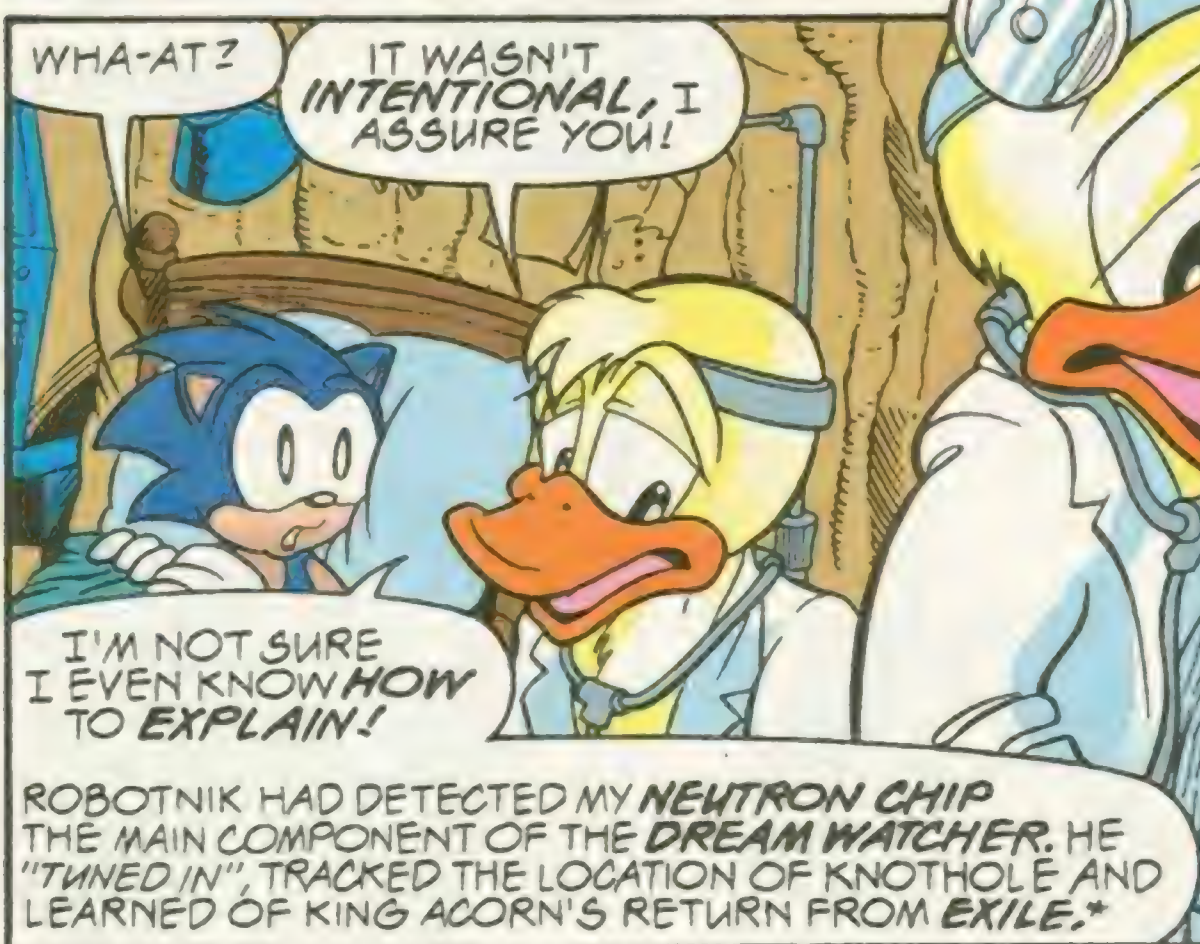
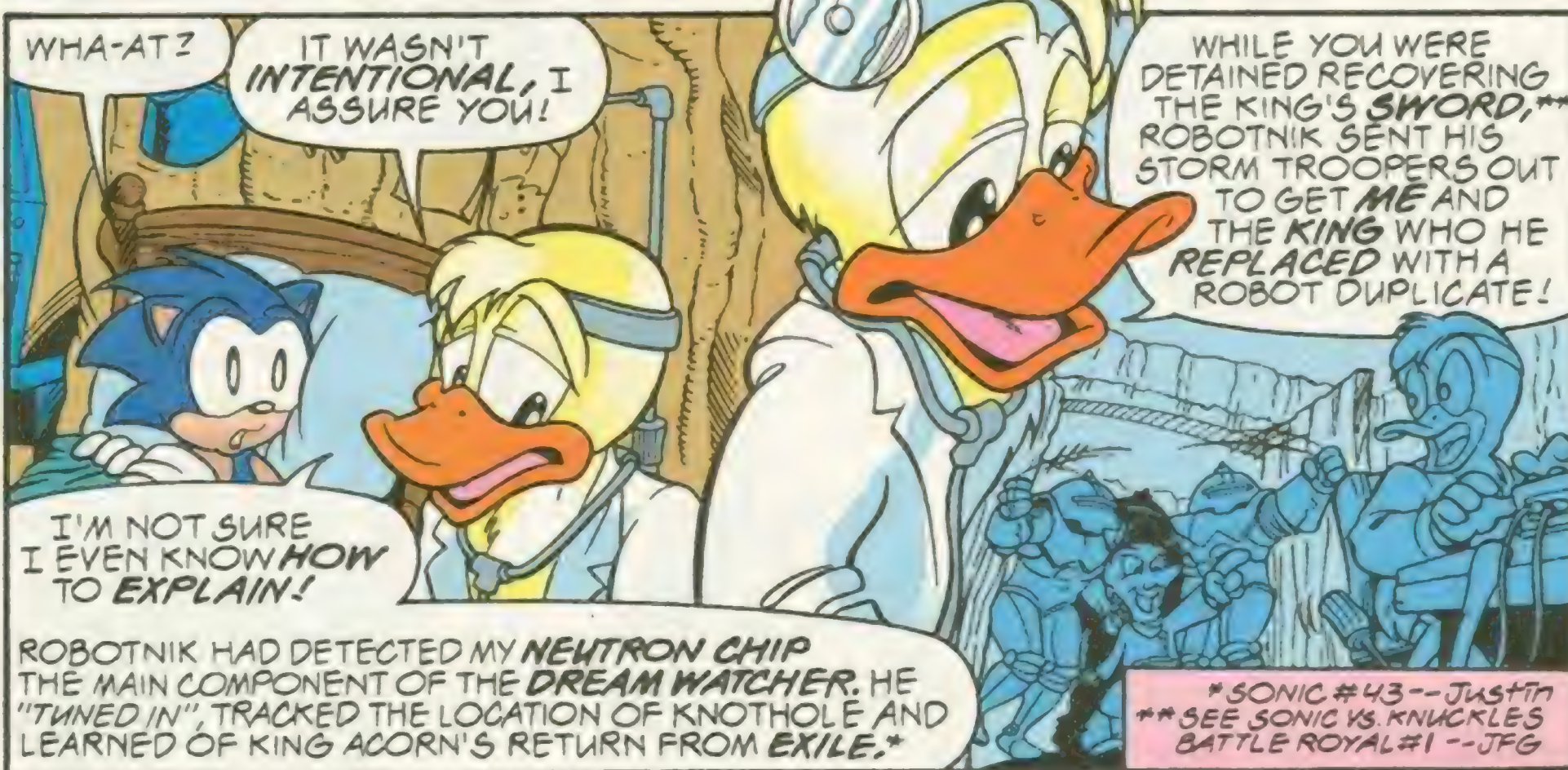
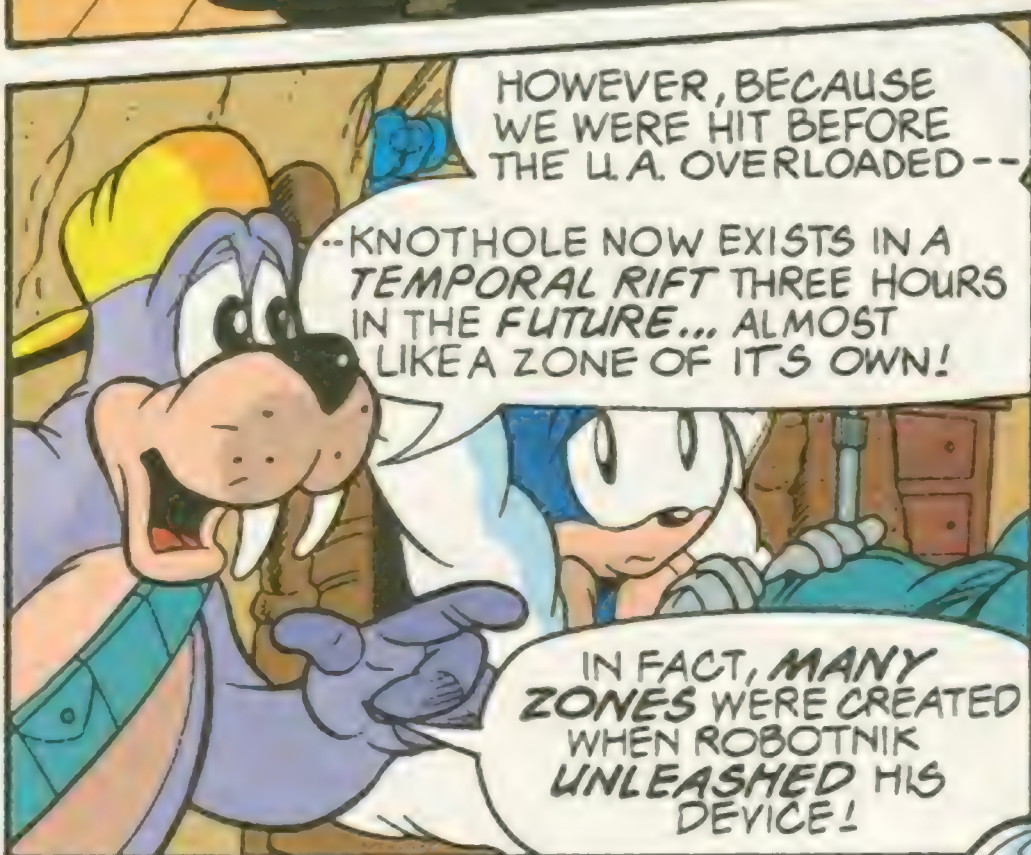
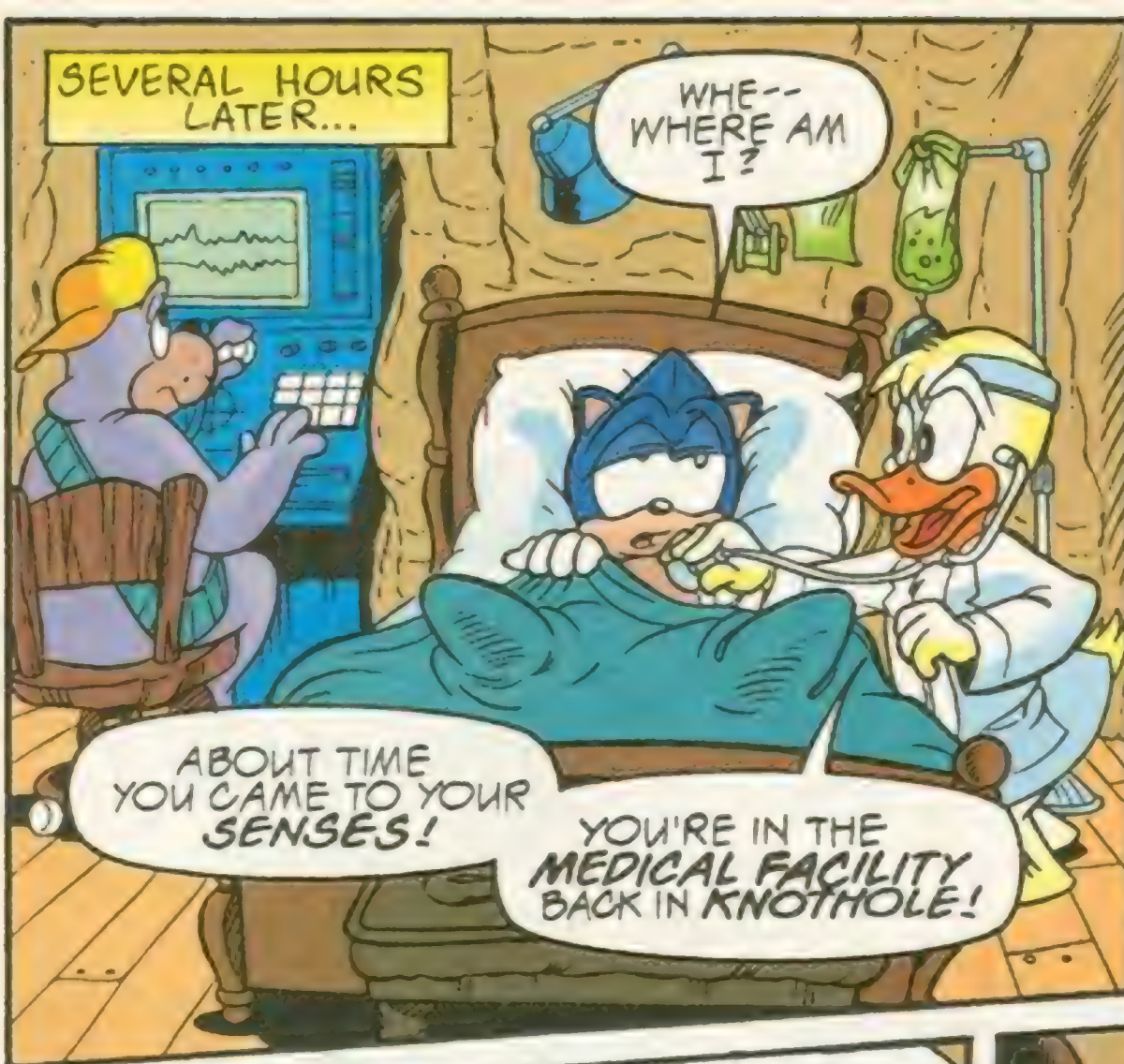
--TIRED...



THERE HE IS!

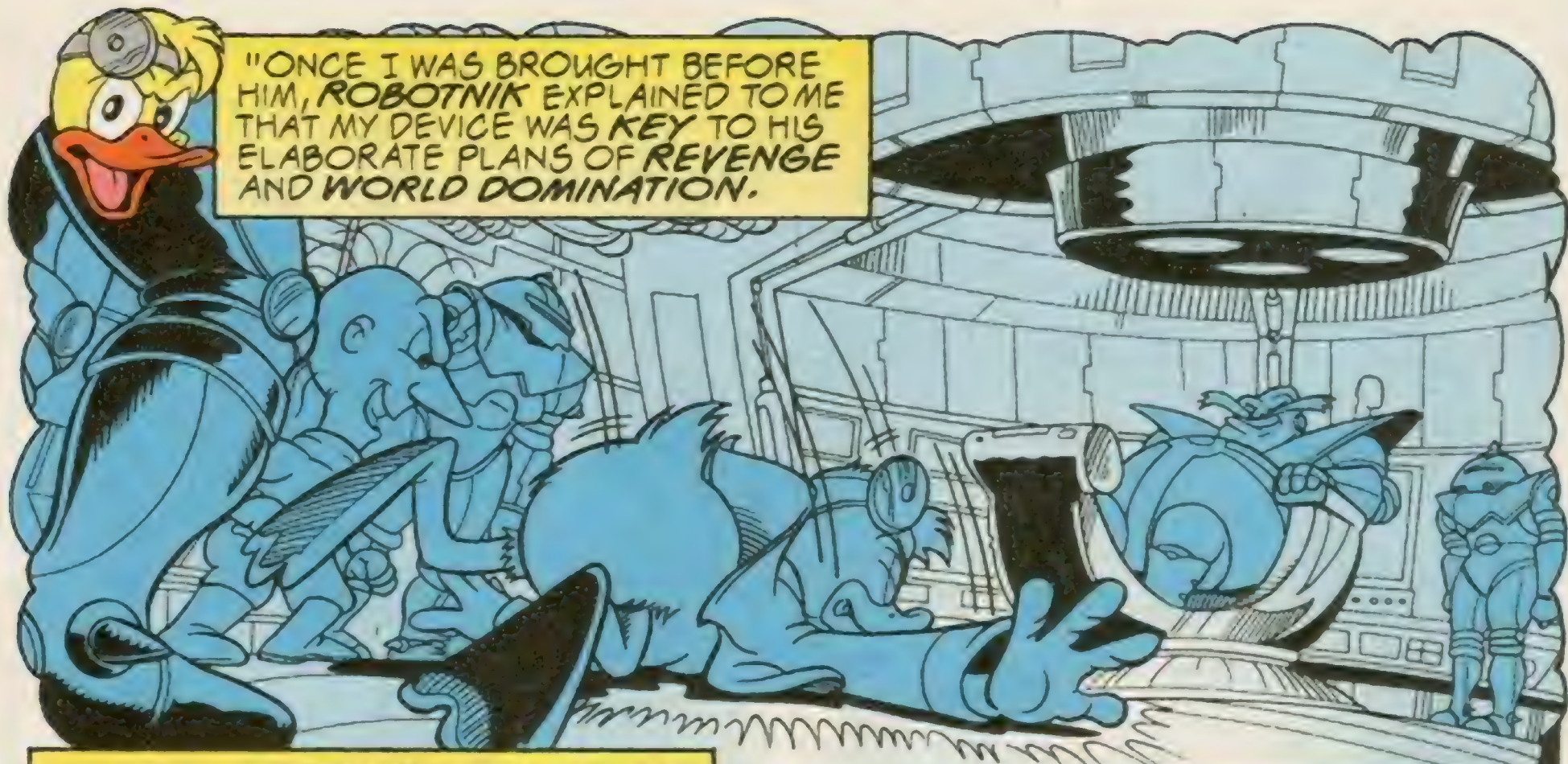
SONIC WAS THE CLOSEST TO GROUND ZERO, SO HE PROBABLY NEEDS MEDICAL ATTENTION IMMEDIATELY!





\*SONIC #43--JUSTIN  
\*\*SEE SONIC VS. KNUCKLES  
BATTLE ROYAL #1--JFG





"ONCE I WAS BROUGHT BEFORE HIM, **ROBOTNIK** EXPLAINED TO ME THAT MY DEVICE WAS KEY TO HIS ELABORATE PLANS OF **REVENGE** AND **WORLD DOMINATION**.

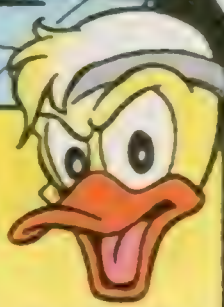
"AT FIRST I **REFUSED** TO HELP, BUT WHEN HE HAD **SNIVELY** KIDNAP MY **WIFE** AND **CHILDREN**, I WAS LEFT WITH **LITTLE CHOICE**.

"SINCE HE WAS **AFRAID** YOU MIGHT **INTERFERE**, **ROBOTNIK** APPEALED TO **DRAGO'S GREED** AND **LUST** FOR THE **EASY LIFE**.



"IN TURN, **DRAGO** SET YOU UP USING **SALLY** AS THE **FALL GI--Er-- BAIT!**

"BUT **ROBOTNIK** DIDN'T KNOW WAS THAT HIS NEPHEW **SNIVELY** HAD **OTHER PLANS**. I NOTICED HE **ALTERED** THE **ULTIMATE ANNIHILATOR** TO AFFECT **ONLY ONE ORGANIC** PATTERN OUT OF THE MANY **ORIGINALLY PROGRAMMED**.



SINCE ONLY **ROBOTNIK** COULD NOW BE AFFECTED BY THE DEVICE, I KEPT **QUIET** AND PRAYED **EVENTS** WOULD TAKE THE COURSE THEY **EVENTUALLY DID!**

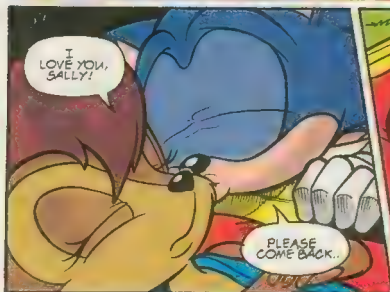
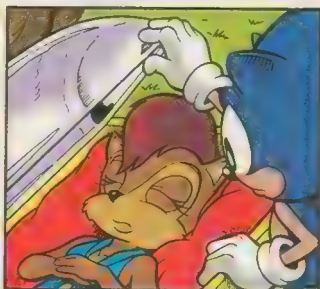
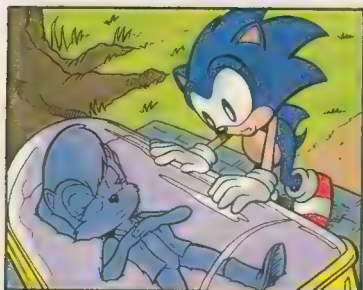
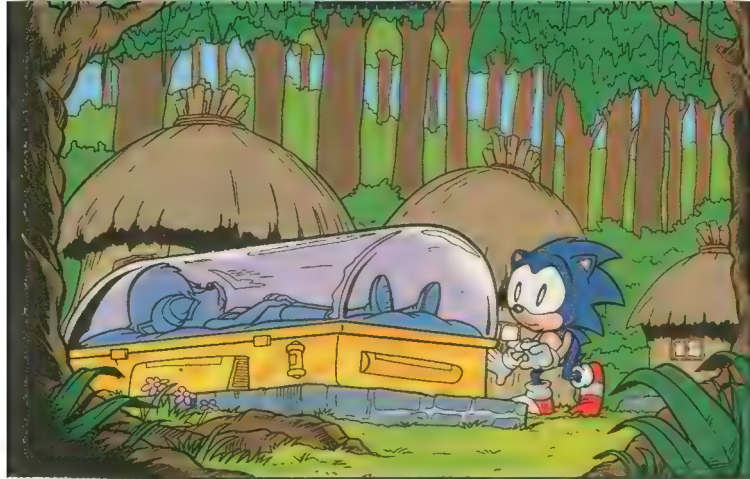


AND **SALLY?**

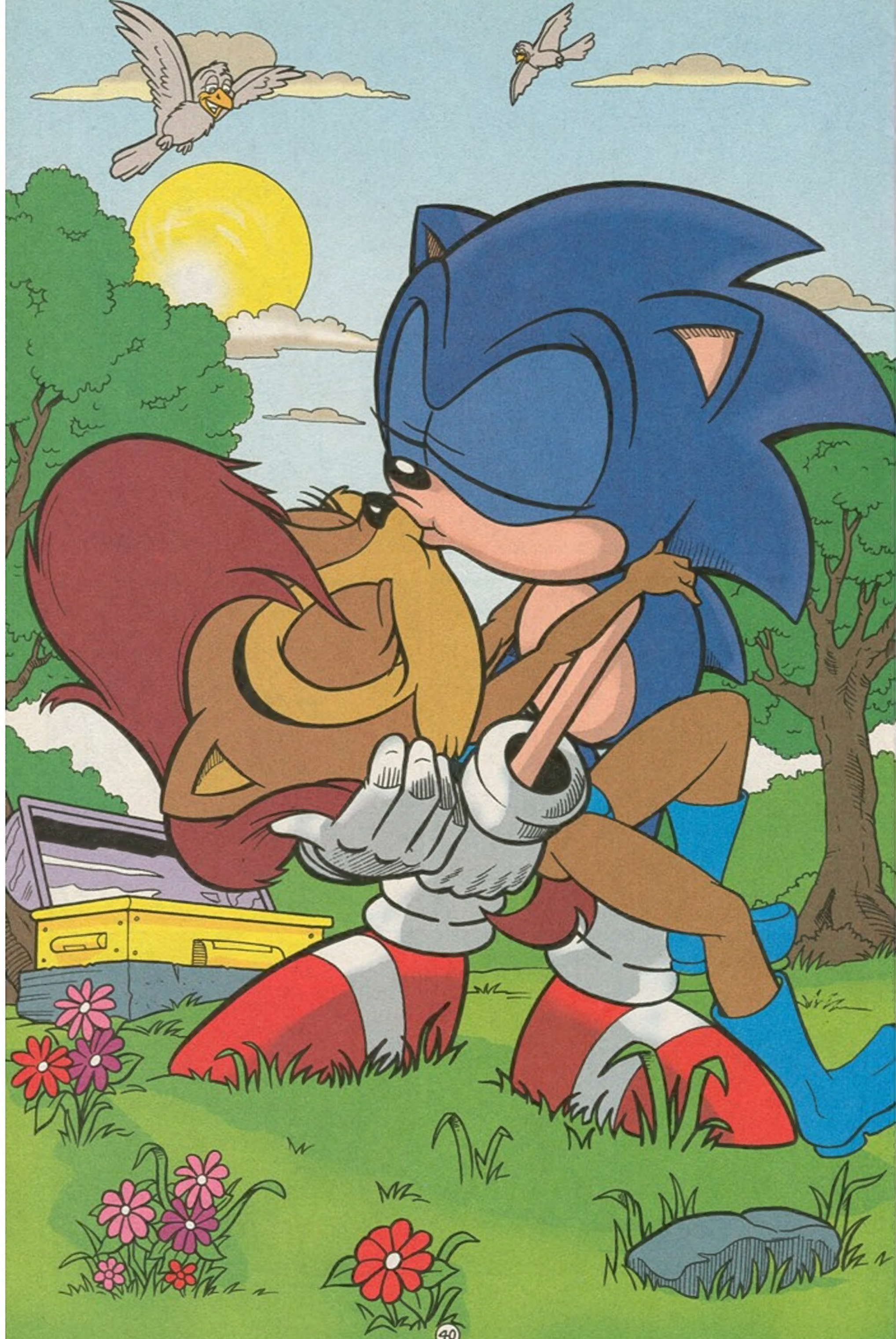














I SAID--  
I'M JUST  
HAPPY TO SEE  
YOU AGAIN!

AND SO, IT WASN'T LONG  
BEFORE ORDER WAS RESTORED...

DOCTOR QUACK WAS EXONERATED  
DUE TO EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES,  
AND RESUMED LOOKING AFTER HIS  
PATIENT, KING ACORN.

HERSHEY WAS FOR-  
GIVEN FOR BEING  
DRAGO'S DUPE.  
SHE'S NOW A MODEL  
CITIZEN AGAIN.

MRS. QUACK AND THE  
CHILDREN ARE DOING  
FINE, THANK YOU.

THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS WELCOMED BACK  
THEIR FRIEND SONIC WITH WIDE OPEN ARMS  
AND BEGAN PLANNING A BIG CELEBRATION

GEOFFREY ST. JOHN WAS  
REINSTATED AS COMMANDER  
OF HIS MAJESTY'S SECRET  
SERVICE. HE AWAITS HIS  
NEXT MISSION.

DRAGO WAS SENTENCED TO THE  
DEVIL'S GYLAG. SOMETHING  
ABOUT A COLD DAY IN A WARM  
PLACE WAS MENTIONED AS TO  
HOW LONG HIS SENTENCE  
WOULD RUN.

AS FOR SNIVELY--  
WELL, THAT'S ANOTHER  
STORY FOR ANOTHER  
DAY!



# SONIC GRAMS

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## IMAGE CROSSOVER!

**Next issue: That's right! Sonic, Knuckles and The Freedom Fighters meet the heroes of Image Comics!** No, it's not a dream, nor a hoax, nor an imaginary story! The truth is not only out there — it's way out there as the **Master Emerald**, the power source that maintains **The Floating Island's** place in the sky, is stolen by a mysterious enemy. Sonic and the gang hit the **Cosmic Interstate** in search of the priceless gem. Where they wind up is a world unlike any they've seen before as they find themselves in the mean streets of **New York City** and beyond, teaming up with an assortment of heroes such as **Shadowhawk**, **The Savage Dragon**, **The Maxx** and others in an effort to restore things to the way they used to be. Can they do it or will the bad guys win out in this **48-page epic** adventure? Trust no one but the creative team of **Ken Penders** and **Jim Valentino** for the answers to this one! **SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #7** on sale **Oct. 1998!**

In other Mobian news... In one week: **Knuckles** finally returns to **The Floating Island**, only to discover that things have changed since he left home in issue #10. Along with a surprise **Knuckles'** mother has in store for him, you are invited to witness the secrets of **Haven** begin to unfold as **The Brotherhood of Guardians** gathers to determine what's to become of **Knuckles**. As for **Julie-Su**, it seems she may have a thing or two in store for our favorite echidna. Written by **Ken Penders**. Art by **Manny Galan** and **Andrew Pepoy**. **KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #16** on sale **July '98!**

In three weeks: Can our freedom-fighting duo escape **Sand Blast City**, especially when Sonic seems to be enjoying his stay here? Also witness the villains of the Devil's Golang challenge the prison used to hold them. Written by **Karl Bollers**. Art by **Steven Butler** and **Pam Eklund**. Also in this issue: **Part three of St. John's "On His Majesty's Secret**

**Service."** Training begins for the recruits and **Princess Sally** wants some answers as to why she's being left out of the loop. And she's not going to get them either... on the orders of **King Acorn** himself. The mystery deepens. Written and inked by **Ken Penders**. Art by **Art Mawhinney**. **SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #63** on sale **July '98!**

In other SEGA news... In one week: **Elliott and Claris** are in trouble: the school is upset over their recent absences and they're running out of time to save **Nights!** With each passing moment, **Nights** — who can't survive in the "real" world — is ceasing to exist, and **Reala** is planning a strike against **Nights'** very weakness! Can **Claris** and **Elliott** save **Nights** from extinction — and themselves from expulsion. Brought to you by **Sonic** regulars, **Karl Bollers**, **Patrick 'Spaz' Tante**, **Sam Maxwell** and **Harvey Mercadoocasio**. Plus check out the computer-modeled cover by fan-faves **Spaz/Harvo** and **Heroic Age!** **NIGHTS INTO DREAMS #5** on sale **July '98!**

Justin  
FREDDY  
GABRIE

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Dear Sonic-Grams Special,

Hi, anyone who eventually reads this! I'm a British Sonic fan and I recently had a state-side friend send me over a couple of your comics, so I could see how they compared to the Sonic comic by Fleetway over here. I found out about your comic on the 'Net.' The issues I ended up reading were **SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #2**, **BRAVE NEW WORLD** and **SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #56**. They were great! I'm asking my friend to send more over, especially some back issues to find out how it got to this point in Sonic lore.

Your comic is very different to the one over here. I think it's a more professional production since they don't take comics seriously enough in this country. Don't get me wrong — they have some good stories, but mostly it's dragged down by failed attempts at humor. Of course, you have some decent characters to work with in your version of the Sonic universe, including **Bunnie**, **Antoine**, etc. (we're stuck with the mostly game-based characters over here). But most of all, you have the gorgeous one, **Her Royal Highness Princess Sally Acorn**. Be still my heart.

The most impressive thing about the "Brave New World" story was **Geoffrey St. John's** accent. Finally, **Ken Penders** has given us a character with a believable Aussie accent and resisted the temptation to make every second sentence a cliché involving shrimps. I'll write again when I'm more knowledgeable of your comics. So until then, this is your new fan saying, "See ya!"

Leon Baker  
W. Sussex, UK

That's a way past cool, mondo compliment, **Leon**. We welcome you to our fold of **Sonic** fans and hope you're here to stay! Believe me when I say the next few months are going to be chock full of action and adventure with more surprises than you can shake a stick at!

Note: In last issue's credits page, artist **Nelson Ribeiro's** name was misspelled. Please forgive us.

Bonus: The infamous **Scott Shaw** pin-up (with script by **Paul Castiglia**) for you to color. Enjoy!

So until next time,  
keep on juicin'!



NICOLE ALLEN (AGE 15)  
MELISSA PIPER (AGE 15)  
ELIZABETH, PA



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# Freedom Fighters



10¢

I-I CAN'T  
SEEM TO  
SLIP FREE-  
DESPITE HIS  
SWEATY  
PALMS!

DON'T  
WORRY  
SAL-  
THERE'S  
MORE  
THAN ONE  
WAY TO  
CRACK A  
ROTTEN  
EGGHEAD!

FEATURING:  
"SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!"  
"PRINCESS SALLY!"  
"BUNNIE RABBIT!"  
"ROTOR!"

TOGETHER  
FOR THE FIRST  
TIME IN ONE  
PULSE-POUNDING  
PIN-UP!

THE 3 OF YOU  
CAN'T DO IT  
ALONE - TIME  
FOR ROTOR  
TO PERFORM  
SOME ROOT  
CANAL!

IT'LL TAKE  
MORE THAN  
ROPE TO  
WRAP UP THIS  
ROBOT, SUGAH!

...for  
KIRBY, after  
KIRBY!

SCOTT  
SHAW!